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Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the nonfinal Examiner's action mailed 10/02/2003, having a shortened statutory period for response that expired 11/02/2003 and an extended statutory period for response set to expire 12/02/2003, as follows:

RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Applicant elects to prosecute claims 1-6 and 11-23 of Group A-1, drawn to the genetic analyses directed to a cancer or tumor medical condition. This election is made without traverse.

REMARKS

Assignee's executed Power of Attorney and Revocation of Prior Powers is attached hereto. If an Examiner's Amendment would place the pending claims in condition for allowance, a telephone call to the undersigned at (727) 507-8558 is requested.

Very respectfully,

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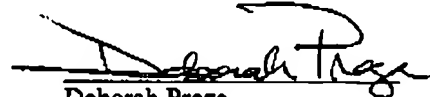
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